

Indian Health Service Injury Prevention Cooperative Agreements Program

A program to build the capacity of American Indian/Alaska Native Tribes/Tribal Organizations to plan, implement, and evaluate injury prevention interventions

<http://www.ihs.gov/medicalprograms/injuryprevention/>



2000–2005 Project Profile



Chickasaw Nation

The Chickasaw Nation, based in Ada, OK, is a federally recognized Indian tribe with a service area of approximately 7,963 square miles and includes 13 counties. There are approximately 31,000 Chickasaw Tribal members with about 19,000 residing in Oklahoma. The Chickasaw Nation Health System serves the overall health concerns and includes a hospital and three satellite clinics. Website: <http://www.chickasaw.net>

Injury Topics addressed by 2000–2005 Program (in order of intensity):

Seat Belt Safety
Bike Safety
Child Occupant Passenger Safety
Gun Safety / Unintentional Injury
Fire/Burn Safety
Fall Prevention
Pedestrian Safety

Injury Prevention Program Staffing



Mark Brewer, IP Coordinator

Tenure: 12/1/2001 – 8/30/2005

Training: IHS Levels I-III IP Courses, Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Technician, CPS Instructor, Violence Prevention Course, Fire Service Training Leadership Training from FEMA, Disaster Debris Management, Program Development Fellowship, Effective Writing, Beginning Excel, Epi Info

Injury Prevention Program Collaborating Partners:

Indian Health Service • Community Health Representatives • Government Officials • Police Department • Schools • State IP Program • Local Businesses • Emergency Management • Head Start • Hospital • Safe Kids • Multimedia Department • Social Service Agencies • Bureau of Indian Affairs • Fire Department • Clinic • OK DOT



Key IP Program Successes/Accomplishments:

Program Activities

- Held the annual Chickasaw Nation Injury Prevention Conference and hosted the IHS Injury Prevention Fellowship Field Course.
- Collaborated with the OK State Injury Prevention Program to develop a Safe Routes to School Project in Tishomingo, OK.
- Formed a Child Passenger Safety Coalition.
- Awarded Oklahoma SAFE KIDS Coalition volunteer of the year ('04, Mark Brewer).
- Mapped motor vehicle crash fatalities in 13 counties.
- Trained ten certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians.

Additional Funding/Support Obtained to Support IP

- Applied for and received an IHS Oklahoma City Area Mini Grant for developing an occupant restraint video entitled "Just This Time."
- Received \$20,000 from an Oklahoma Highway Safety Office grant for car seats.
- IHS Sleep Safe Program.
- Obtained funding from Tribe to continue the IP Program beyond IHS funding ending in 2005.

